

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. In a printer comprising a plurality of input sources coupled to an output source, comprising:
 - a first Web server that controls a first repository of software and data that supports the software;
 - a print server coupled to the first Web server configured to download and install software stored on the first Web server; and
 - a printer coupled to the print server that produces images on sheets received from one of a plurality of input sources coupled to an output source.
2. The printer of claim 1, further comprising a path that intermittently couples the print server to the first Web server at a client's request.
3. The printer of claim 1, further comprising a path that continuously couples the print server to the first Web server.
4. The printer of claim 1, further comprising a path that automatically couples the print server to the first Web server.
5. The printer of claim 1, wherein the repository of software comprises computer scanning and printing related software.
6. The printer of claim 2, wherein the software is self-extracting and self-registering.
7. The printer of claim 1, further comprising a second Web server that controls a second repository of software and data coupled to the first Web server and the print server.
8. The printer of claim 1, wherein the print server and printer each comprise a user interface that can select print features and specify print options in a print job.
9. The printer of claim 1, wherein the print server is coupled to the first Web server and production printer in a hub-and-spoke architecture.

10. The printer of claim 1, wherein the print server is coupled to the first Web server and production printer in a peer-to-peer architecture.
11. The printer of claim 1, further comprising a version controller coupled to the print server that facilitates a validation and an installation of a program installed on the print server.
12. In a high volume digital production printer comprising a plurality of input sources coupled to an output source, comprising:
- a printer that produces images on sheets received from one of a plurality of input sources coupled to an output source;
 - a remote interface coupled to the printer through a host, the remote interface being located at a site removed from the printer; and
 - a local interface coupled to the printer through the host; wherein the remote interface and local interface are configured to automatically copy software from the host to storage media resident to the remote interface and local interface, respectively.
13. The high volume digital production printer of claim 12, wherein the printer can control an image resolution.
14. The high volume digital production printer of claim 12, further comprising a scanner coupled to the remote interface.
15. The high volume digital production printer of claim 14, wherein the scanner can control an image resolution.
16. The high volume digital production printer of claim 12, wherein the printer, the remote interface, and the local interface each comprise a user interface.
17. The high volume digital production printer of claim 12, wherein the host comprises a subsystem that can spool print jobs.

18. The high volume digital production printer of claim 12, wherein the host comprises a version controller configured to determine when software resident to one of the remote and local interface needs to be updated.
19. A method of downloading and installing software from a publicly accessible network into a digital high volume printer, comprising:
- launching a monitoring program that searches across a publicly accessible network to generate a list of software;
 - recording the addresses of potential software to be downloaded to one of a remote and a local interface; and
 - installing the software in a memory to be installed immediately or stored for a later installation.
20. The method of claim 19, wherein the launching program is resident to said one of the remote and the local interfaces.
21. The method of claim 20, wherein the act of installing the software occurs within the digital high volume printer.
22. The method of claim 19, further comprising the act of polling the user at a programmed interval if a user elects to delay the installing act.